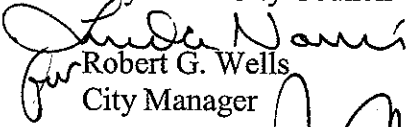
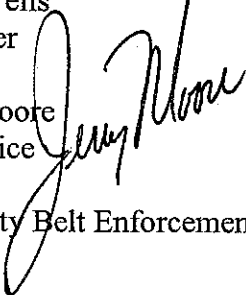


For the Council Meeting of October 1, 2007

Agenda Item No: 4.3 (h)

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**THROUGH:**  Robert G. Wells  
City Manager

**FROM:** Gerald F. Moore   
Chief of Police

**SUBJECT:** 3 Flags Safety Belt Enforcement Grant Renewal Request

**ISSUE:**

Should the City of Salem apply for, and accept, a 3 Flags Safety Belt Enforcement grant?

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends Council authorize the Salem Police Department to apply for, and accept, a renewal of up to \$9,600 for a 3 Flags Safety Belt Enforcement grant.

**BACKGROUND:**

This is a federal grant that covers \$40.00 per hour for overtime enforcement of safety belt, speed, and DUII. The Police Department has had this grant for over 10 years and it has allowed extra enforcement related to traffic safety.

**FACTS & FINDINGS:**

1. During federal FY 06-07 the Salem Police Department received a 3 Flags Safety Belt Enforcement grant for \$9,600 to cover overtime expenses during extra patrols focused on safety belt, child safety seat, speed, and DUII enforcement.
2. There is a soft match requirement of two hours of straight time traffic enforcement for every hour of overtime traffic enforcement. The City would meet that match through our normal traffic patrol shifts.